Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): Method for providing controlled online access from a terminal user—(1) to a content service—(2) via a telecommunications system—(3), the telecommunications system—(3) comprising a network—(4), at least one terminal—(5) being connected to the network—(4), the terminal—(5) comprising a display for displaying content services—(2),;

____said method for use in a first system (6), the first system (6) being connected to a second system (7), the first system (6) being connected to a means (8) for storing billing data of terminal users (1),;
the method comprising the following steps:

receiving—(a) in the first system—(6) a request from the terminal—(5) for access to the content service—(2), said request being sent from the terminal—(5) to the first system (6) using the network—(4), said request comprising a first code for identifying the terminal user—(1) and/or terminal (5),

allowing—(b2) or refusing—(b1) online access from said terminal—(5) to said content service—(2) based on the terminal user's billing data $_{7}$; in case of refusal—(b1),;

storing—(d) said first code and a second code identifying the request with the terminal user's billing $data_{\tau;i}$

providing—(e) the terminal—(5) with information to set up a connection to the second system—(7), said information comprising the second code, said information being sent from the first system—(6) to the terminal—(5) using the network (4),;

receiving—(f) in the second system—(7) said second code or related code, the second code being sent from the terminal—(5) to the second system—(7) using the network (4),:

updating—(g) the terminal user's billing data referenced by said second code $_{\tau}$;

allowing (h1;b;b2) online access from said terminal (5) to said content service (2).

Claim 2 (currently amended): Method according to claim 1 wherein allowing online access from said terminal—(5) on a next access request—(h2).

Claim 3 (currently amended): Method according to claims 1-2 claim 2 wherein the method further comprises the following steps:

deriving from the second code a telephone number of the terminal user (1),;

sending a premium SMS message to the terminal user (1) using the telephone number of the terminal user (1).

Claim 4 (currently amended): Method according to elaims 1 3 claim 1 wherein said means—(8) for storing billing data of terminal users is part of the first system—(6).

Claim 5 (currently amended): Method according to claims 1 3 claim 1 wherein said means—(8) for storing billing data of terminal users is part of the second system—(7).

Claim 6 (currently amended): Method according to claims 1 4 claim 1 wherein said first system—(6) and said second system—(7) are the same.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Method according to any of the claims 1 6 claim 1 wherein said network—(4) comprises a packet switched domain—(4a) and a circuit switched domain—(4b).

Claim 8 (currently amended): Method according to claim 7 wherein said request is sent from the terminal—(5) to the first system—(6) using the packet switched domain—(4a).

Claim 9 (currently amended): Method according to claims 7 8 claim 8 wherein said information is sent from the first system—(6) to the terminal—(5) using the packet switched domain—(4a).

Claim 10 (currently amended): Method according to any of the claims 7-9 claim 7 wherein said second code is sent from the terminal (5) to the second system (7) using the circuit switched domain (4b).

Claim 11 (currently amended): Method according to claims 1-10-claim 1 wherein updating (g) the terminal user's billing data is accomplished by adding a sum to the terminal user's billing data.

Claim 12 (currently amended): Method according to claim 11 wherein said sum corresponds with a tariff of using the second system—(7).

Claim 13 (currently amended): Method according to claims 3—10—claim 3 wherein updating—(g) the terminal user's billing data is accomplished by adding a sum to the terminal user's billing, said sum corresponding with a tariff of the premium SMS message.

Claim 14 (currently amended): Method according to claims 1

13 claim 1 wherein, if said terminal user's billing data is absent, the terminal user's billing data is created—(e) automatically.

Claim 15 (currently amended): Method according to any of the claims 1 14 claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the following steps:

in case of allowance (b2),;

retrieving in the first system (6) the requested content service;

forwarding said requested content service (2) to the terminal (5).

Claim 16 (currently amended): Method according to any of the claims 1 14 claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the following step:

in case of allowance (b2),;

connecting the terminal $\overline{(5)}$ to said content service $\overline{(2)}$.

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Claim 17 (currently amended): A system arranged to perform the methods according to any of the preceding claims claim 1.

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